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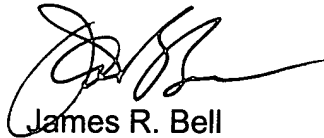
REMARKS

Minor changes have been made to the specification. Claims 15 - 21 are amended and claims 1-21 remain in the application.

Entry of this amendment to the specification and claims prior to Examination is courteously solicited.

No new matter is added by the amendments herein.

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MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.121 (b)(1)(iii)

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A headphone module assembly is generally designated 52 in Figs. 4-6, and includes a carrier 54, a retractor member 56 mounted on carrier 54, and a flexible cord 58 which is extendibly and retractably connected to the retractor member 56. The cord 58 includes at least one headphone 60, and preferably two headphones 60, connected to a first cord end 62, and a connector 64 which is connected to a second cord end 66, opposite the first end 62. The carrier 54 includes a headphone receptacle [68] 76.

The carrier 54 is similar to a PC card carrier and includes side rails 70, Fig. 4, for slidably mounting carrier 54 in, and removing carrier 54 from, the PC card slot 46, see also Figs. 2, 3, 5 and 6. Carrier 54, Fig. 4, includes a first end 72 and a second end 74, opposite the first end 72. First end 72 includes [a receptacle] receptacles 76 for each headphone 60, which as stated above may include two headphones. Connector 64 is adjacent the headphone receptacles 76 so that the connector 64 can be plugged into a readily available headphone jack 78 normally provided adjacent the PC card slot 46 in computer base 32.

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Retractor member [54] 56, Figs. 4 and 4a is a commercially available, spring loaded cord reel which permits cord 58 to be extended to a desired length and permits cord 58 to be retracted for storage when headphones 60 are not in use.

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Although illustrative embodiments have been shown and described, a wide range of modification, change and substitution is contemplated in the foregoing disclosure and in some instances, some features of the [embodiment] embodiments may be employed without a corresponding use of other features. Accordingly, it is appropriate that the appended claims be construed broadly and in a manner consistent with the scope of the embodiments disclosed herein.

MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS 15-21
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.121 (c)(1)(ii)

15. (Amended) A computer system comprising:
 - a chassis having a PC card slot formed therein;
 - a microprocessor in the chassis;
 - [an input coupled to provide input to the microprocessor;]
 - a mass storage coupled to the microprocessor;
 - [a video controller coupled to the microprocessor;
 - a memory coupled to provide storage to facilitate execution of computer programs by the microprocessor;]
 - a headphone module including a carrier removably mounted in the slot;
 - a retractor member mounted on the carrier;
 - a flexible cord extendibly and retractably connected to the retractor member, the cord including at least one headphone connected to a first cord end and a connector connected to a second cord end opposite the first end;
 - and
 - a headphone receptacle on the carrier.
16. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 15 wherein the cord includes two headphones.
17. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 15 wherein the retractor member is a cord reel.
18. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 15 wherein the carrier includes a first end and a second end opposite the first end, the headphone receptacle being at the first end.
19. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 18 wherein the connector is adjacent the headphone receptacle.

20. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 18 wherein the connector is adjacent the second end.
21. (Amended) The [assembly] system as defined in claim 15 wherein the carrier includes mounting rails.